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TAGS: PDEV, WA, SF

SUBJECT: PRESIDENT CARTER LETTER TO PRIME MINISTER  
VORSTER

REF: PRETORIA 4045

1. PRESIDENT'S PARTY ARRIVES 2330 JULY 17 IN  
WASHINGTON. WE WILL ATTEMPT AT OPENING OF BUSINESS ON  
JULY 18 TO CONVEY CONCERN YOU RAISE ABOUT MENTIONING  
AMBASSADOR SMITH'S TALKS IN PRETORIA.

2. TO FORESTALL PREMATURE DECISION BY PRIME MINISTER  
VORSTER, WE SUGGEST YOU INFORM HIS OFFICE THAT YOU WILL  
BE DELIVERING A LETTER TO THE PRIME MINISTER FROM  
PRESIDENT CARTER SOME TIME JULY 18. (WE DO NOT BELIEVE  
IT PRACTICAL AT THIS POINT TO SECURE CONTACT GROUP  
AGREEMENT ON LETTER COMING FROM FOREIGN MINISTERS

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RATHER THAN HEADS OF STATE.)

3. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THE CONTACT GROUP HAS  
USED THE TERM "ETHNICALLY" IN REFERRING TO THE CONNEC-  
TION BETWEEN WALVIS BAY AND NAMIBIA, BUT WE HAVE NO  
PROBLEM WITH THE SUBSTITUTION "IN OTHER WAYS" THAT YOU  
PROPOSE; F OTHER MEMBERS OF CONTACT GROUP CONCUR.

CHRISTOPHER

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